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The undersigned petitions to have this application withdrawn from issue under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(2). The following items are enclosed herewith to complete the petition.

1. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and Fee Transmittal Form
2. Information Disclosure Statement and Substitute Form 1449A
3. Fee: Authorization to charge the undersigned's deposit account for the petition fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h) (\$130) and the RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) (\$385) is provided on the RCE and Fee Transmittal Form

The undersigned requests that the Examiner consider and make of record the reference cited in the attached Form 1449A.

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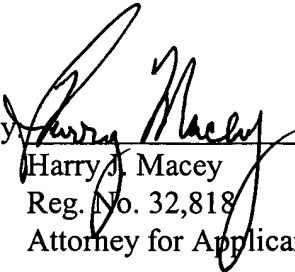
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Respectfully submitted,

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